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SUBJECT: LOWER HOUSE ELECTIONS: THE WINNERS IN DINH TUONG

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1. REFTEL REPORTED ON CANDIDATES FOR LOWER HOUSE FROM DINH TUONG WHERE TWO SEATS WERE AT STAKE.

2. THE WINNERS:

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A. NGUYEN VAN DAU, 57, 17,182 VOTES. DAU WAS BORN IN MY THO, RELIGION-UNKOWN. MEMBER OF MY THO PARENT TEACHERS ASSOCIATION. GRADUATE SAIGON PEDAGOGY COLLEGE 1927. HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER AND HEADMASTER IN MY THO CAMPAGINED ON PLATFORM TO

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SERVE SOCIETY, FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION, AND PROTECT VIETNAMESE NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY. DAO'S VICTORY WAS UNEXPECTED.

3. NGUYEN BA CAN, 37, 12,453 VOTES. CAN WAS DEPUTY PROVINCE CHIEF FOR ADMINISTRATION IN VUNG TAU AND DINH TUONG AND PRESENTLY DPCA IN LONG AN. CAN WAS DPCA DINH TUONG 1959-62 AND FORMERLY SERVED AS DISTRICT CHIEF THERE. HE WAS SUPPORTED BY LOCAL OFFICIALS. PLATFORM INCLUDED LAWS TO ENSURE FREEDOM OF SPEECH, PRESS AND ASSEMBLY BECAUSE WITHOUT THESE FREEDOMS "POWER TO ELECT IS USELESS." PLATFORM ALSO INCLUDED VAGUE STATEMENTS ABOUT SOLVING WAR AND BRINGING ABOUT PEACE, ESTABLISHING DEMOCRACY, REDUCING RETAIL PRICES, LOANS AND LAND GRANTS FOR FARMERS, LOW COST HOUSING FOR POOR AND MORE SCHOOLS IN DISTRICTS. CAN IS A SERIOUS AND HARD-WORKING OFFICIAL WHO WILL PROBABLY BE AN EFFECTIVE DEPUTY. BUNKER

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